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**ABBREVIATIONS**

BIS	: Bank for International Settlements
BITT	: Banking and Insurance Transactions Tax
BoE	: Bank of England
BoJ	: Bank of Japan
BRSA	: Banking Regulation and Supervision Agency
CAR	: Capital Adequacy Ratio
CBRT	: Central Bank of the Republic of Turkey
CMB	: Capital Markets Board
CPI	: Consumer Price Index
CRA:	: Central Registry Agency
CRD	: Capital Requirements Directive
ECB	: European Central Bank
EMBI	: Emerging Market Bond Index
EU	: European Union
FED	: Federal Reserve Bank
FSAP	: Financial Sector Assessment Program
FSI	: Financial Strength Index
FX	: Foreign Exchange
FXNGP	: Foreign Exchange Net General Position
GDDS	: Government Domestic Debt Security
GDP	: Gross Domestic Product
GNP	: Gross National Product
IFC	: International Finance Corporation
IKB	: Deutsche Industriebank AG
IMF	: International Monetary Fund
ISE	: Istanbul Stock Exchange
NPL	: Non Performing Loans
OECD	: Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
PPI	: Producer Price Index

QIS-TR2	: Quantitative Impact Study TR2
ROA	: Return on Assets
ROE	: Return on Equity
SCT	: Special Consumption Tax
SDIF	: Savings Deposits Insurance Fund
SEE	: State Economic Enterprise
SPO	: State Planning Organization
TURKSTAT	: Turkish Statistical Institute
USA	: United States of America
VAT	: Value Added Tax
VIX	: Chicago Board Options Exchange Volatility Index
YTL	: New Turkish Lira